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2014 Washington Wine Grape Utilized Production Up 8 Percent White Riesling Up 26 Percent; Cabernet Sauvignon Down 1 Percent

Washington's 2014 wine grape production totaled 227,000 tons, up 8 percent from 2013. Overall, production of red varieties was up 1 percent from last year compared to a 16 percent increase in the production of white varieties. Of the top four producing varieties, White Riesling showed the largest increase, up 26 percent from 2013. Growers received an average of \$1,110 per ton for all varieties in 2014, unchanged from the previous year. Of all the published varieties, Grenache received the highest price per ton at \$1,674. White varieties in 2014 accounted for 53 percent of the total production, compared to 49 percent in 2013. White Riesling was the top producing variety grown in the State at 50,500 tons or 22 percent of the total. Chardonnay was ranked second, at 43,800 tons or 19 percent of the total. Next was Cabernet Sauvignon with 42,200 tons or 19 percent of the total. Merlot ranked fourth with 36,900 tons or 16 percent of the total. The average Cabernet Sauvignon price increased \$8 per ton from last year to \$1,448 and the average Chardonnay price was up \$6 per ton from 2013 to \$922. Growers received an average of \$799 per ton for White Riesling, \$3 more than 2013. The average Merlot price per ton decreased \$6 per ton from last year to \$1,180.

It should be noted that the 2014 production and price for all wine grapes is preliminary and is subject to revision in July 2015.

Wine Grape Quantity Utilized and Average Price by Variety — Washington: 2010-2014

	Quantity utilized					Average price per ton				
	2010 (tons)	2011 (tons)	2012 (tons)	2013 (tons)	2014 (tons)	2010 (dollars)	2011 (dollars)	2012 (dollars)	2013 (dollars)	2014 (dollars)
White varieties										
White Riesling.....	33,500	31,700	36,700	40,200	50,500	789	784	783	796	799
Chardonnay.....	28,600	28,500	36,900	40,500	43,800	899	803	904	916	922
Pinot Gris.....	6,100	7,500	6,400	8,000	9,100	765	765	791	802	799
Sauvignon Blanc.....	4,800	4,300	5,100	5,700	6,900	843	824	852	884	886
Gewurztraminer.....	3,100	2,900	3,500	3,300	3,600	688	740	736	757	737
Viognier.....	1,500	1,100	1,900	1,900	1,900	890	943	1,024	961	946
Semillon.....	800	800	1,000	1,000	1,000	761	858	951	1,003	967
Chenin Blanc.....	700	800	900	1,300	800	688	746	782	773	835
Other white varieties.....	1,000	700	1,100	1,300	1,700	1,060	989	1,116	1,069	1,050
Total white varieties	80,100	78,300	93,500	103,200	119,300	830	794	844	852	856
Red varieties										
Cabernet Sauvignon.....	31,900	23,100	35,900	42,600	42,200	1,297	1,312	1,337	1,440	1,448
Merlot.....	28,300	21,900	34,600	36,000	36,900	1,160	1,117	1,104	1,186	1,180
Syrah.....	10,900	10,100	11,800	15,300	15,400	1,199	1,133	1,134	1,292	1,279
Cabernet Franc.....	2,500	2,500	3,400	3,400	3,300	1,325	1,342	1,442	1,485	1,503
Malbec.....	1,100	1,300	1,800	2,000	2,200	1,540	1,413	1,474	1,570	1,554
Sangiovese.....	800	600	1,200	1,300	1,300	1,291	1,350	1,222	1,258	1,320
Petit Verdot.....	(¹)	(¹)	1,000	1,200	1,200	(¹)	(¹)	1,585	1,592	1,513
Pinot Noir.....	900	700	800	900	1,200	740	868	894	1,000	1,165
Grenache Noir.....	(¹)	(¹)	1,000	900	900	(¹)	(¹)	1,555	1,889	1,674
Mourvedre.....	(¹)	(¹)	800	800	900	(¹)	(¹)	1,409	1,673	1,511
Other red varieties.....	3,500	3,500	2,200	2,400	2,200	1,476	1,470	1,428	1,492	1,491
Total red varieties	79,900	63,700	94,500	106,800	107,700	1,241	1,224	1,235	1,339	1,336
All varieties	160,000	142,000	188,000	210,000	227,000	1,040	987	1,040	1,110	1,110

¹ Included in the other red category from 2010-2011.

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